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Health Sciences Tissue Bank
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Biological Specimen User Agreement

The recipient hereby agrees that the tissues to be provided by the Health Sciences Tissue Bank (HSTB) will be used only for the research purposes specified in this application. Tissues and their products shall not be sold or distributed free of charge to third parties or used for commercial purposes, including the production of cells or cell products for sale.

Tissues are provided as a service to the research community without warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose or any other warranty, express or implied. Recipient agrees to assume full responsibility for training and informing all personnel in the dangers, and procedures for safe handling of human tissue.

The recipient investigator agrees to be responsible for all charges for the procurement, processing and distribution of the samples requested.

The recipient investigator hereby agrees to acknowledge the contributions of the HSTB in all publications resulting from the use of these tissues.

The recipient investigator agrees to assume all risks and responsibility in connection with the receipt, handling, storage and use of tissues. The recipient investigator further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the HSTB for costs, damages or expenses resulting from the use of the tissues provided by the HSTB.

BY MY SIGNATURE I AGREE TO THE TERMS SET FORTH IN THE ABOVE AGREEMENT

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Typed Name of Recipient	Title/ Address of recipient investigator/ Division and Department
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Signature of Recipient	Date

The Health Sciences Tissue Bank will consider this request for tissue upon receipt of these signed understandings and other requested information.

If you have any specific questions about your application, please contact:

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